



# ***THE HAAS REPORT***

***THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT E-NEWSLETTER  
MAY 2012***

**Dear neighbor,**

It is my great honor to have been reelected as your County Supervisor. My role in the new County Board includes two leadership positions. Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic has appointed me as chair of the Committee on Technology, Efficiency, Accessibility & Modernization. This TEAM committee will guide Milwaukee County toward important new technological solutions that will increase our accessibility and accountability, and will give us a way to implement the cost-saving technologies that I have championed.

Also, I was re-appointed as Vice-Chair of the Parks Committee, and was appointed to the Finance and Audit Committee. I will use these positions to fight for the services that so many people depend on for their quality of life, while also improving service delivery and efficiency.

Community involvement remains very important for me. Our neighborhood associations, park watch, and Park Friends groups will be close partners. Most of all, I look forward to working with neighbors, which is one of the best parts of the job. See you soon!

In Service,

-Jason

## **County Board Committees**

- Vice-Chair, Parks, Energy, & Environment
- Finance and Audit
- Personnel
- Transportation, Public Works & Transit

## **Community Memberships**

- Airport Gardens Neighborhood Association
- Bay View Historical Society
- Bay View Garden and Yard Society
- Bay View Neighborhood Association
- Garden District Neighborhood Association
- Hide House Community Garden
- Holler Park Neighborhood Association
- Humboldt Park Watch
- South Shore Park Watch
- South Side Business Club
- Town of Lake Neighborhood Association
- Victory Garden Initiative

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## Tippecanoe Update

I've received multiple calls over the past few weeks regarding the status of Tippecanoe Park. I wanted to reach out and make sure there is clarity on this issue. While some of the older, "eyesore" backstops were removed, the open fields still have diamonds and are open for anyone who would like to take their kids out for some catch, tee-ball, or to meet up with some friends for a pick-up game. Also, there will be no soccer fields installed at this time. While there were a few groups who came to us with that idea, and there was some initial interest, as of now that option is not being pursued. In conclusion, there will still be baseball at Tippecanoe Park and no soccer fields will be installed at this time. I hope this clarifies the issue. If you have any further thoughts or questions feel free to contact me.

-Jason



## Get In Touch With Me

I want to hear what you think about the issues that are before us. Please call me at (414) 278-4252, or email me at: [jason.haas@milwcnty.com](mailto:jason.haas@milwcnty.com)

Calls from the County Courthouse come up as "BLOCKED" on caller ID, so if you are expecting to hear from me, I might be that blocked call.

I look forward to working with you as I represent you on the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors. Stay in touch, and I'll talk with you soon.



*Supervisor Haas addressing a crowd at Lake Park.*

## Airport Runway Closure

The warm weather has meant that FAA-mandated runway safety projects have begun again. As a result, some areas around the airport will experience more air traffic than usual.

This year, the north-south runway will be closed on Saturday, May 5 for the 2012 construction season. It is scheduled to reopen on Monday, August 20, 2012.

In 2011, the majority of aircraft activity occurred on the north-south runway to accommodate runway safety improvements on the east-west runway.

Additionally, from May 5 until August 20, the main east-west runway will be closed each weekend to accommodate runway intersection pavement repair during the following times:

- Saturday night from 11:30 PM to Sunday morning at 6:00 AM
- Sunday at midnight into Monday morning at 5:00 AM

These important safety related construction projects will influence runway utilization and consequently temporarily change air traffic patterns over our community.

An explanation of the RSA projects can be found here: [http://www.mitchellairport.com/docs/gmia\\_newsletter04\\_24\\_08.pdf](http://www.mitchellairport.com/docs/gmia_newsletter04_24_08.pdf)

## Celebrating the Last Year, Planning for the Next Four

Supervisor Jason Haas is celebrating a number of achievements during his first year in office. First elected to the County Board in April 2011, Supervisor Haas was re-elected in April 2012 and, during the 2012-2016 term, is looking to build on the success of his achievements:

- Authored a 2012 Budget Amendment to pursue more high-quality, low-cost open source software solutions that could save taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars on technology purchases;
- Continued service, thanks to Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, on influential Committees, including Vice-Chair of the Parks Committee and a member of the Transportation Committee and the Personnel Committee (which will likely be merged into the new Finance, Personnel & Audit Committee);
- Helped start Park Friends groups for Mitchell Airport, Morgan, and Saveland Parks, and will help in organizing a "South Side Parks Summit";
- On the Transportation Committee, pushed to improve Milwaukee County Transit System buses and co-sponsored a plan to help the 128th Air Refueling Wing thrive at General Mitchell International Airport;
- Stood up for workers' rights despite having a minority opinion on the Personnel Committee;
- Co-sponsored and championed domestic partnership benefits, and worked to ensure ongoing funding for the Milwaukee County CAMPAC (Cultural Artistic & Musical Programming Advisory Council);
- Worked closely with Aldermen Terry Witkowski and Tony Zielinski on numerous projects, including building the Garden District Community Garden at S. 6th/Howard Ave., and the new Farmers Market;
- Frequently attended neighborhood association and park watch meetings, and was appointed as an ex-officio board member of the Garden District Neighborhood Association;
- Appointed to the Youth Task Force, where youth representatives provide policy guidance to the County Board on how to enrich the lives of young people and keep them on the right path.

“We reached a number of great achievements during the last year, and I am excited about this new four-year term,” Supervisor Haas said. “We will continue to work together to enhance our parks, fight for transit, and bring neighbors together.”



# Milwaukee County Pathways to Responsible



## *Dads make the difference*

The Milwaukee County Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood Project is a one-stop shop for free programs that provide the following services to fathers:

**Parenting education • Work readiness • Employment assistance • Job skills training • Child support resources • Life skills training and services • GED/Adult Basic Literacy and vocational skills training • Referrals to support services • Case management • Marriage preparation education • Substance abuse and mental health services • Driver's license recovery • Legal assistance • Veterans' benefits assistance • Housing resources and assistance**

**The Milwaukee County Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood Project is here to provide a helping hand to dads.**

These services are available to all eligible persons, regardless of race, gender, age, disability, or religion. Funding for this project was provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Grant #90FK0049-01-01. Any opinions, findings, and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this material are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families.



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investing in your family.  
Your children are worth it!**

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our five convenient  
neighborhood locations:

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Milwaukee, WI 53216  
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UMOS, Inc.  
2701 S. Chase Avenue  
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Community Advocates  
728 N. James Lovell Street  
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for Dads!**